

## Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

Volume 2012 - February No. 2 Next Meeting – FEBRUARY 21, 2012 AVA headquarters, Universal City A member of the American Volkssport Association (AVA) & the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV) The Public is always welcome

Randolph Roadrunners Volkssport Club A Walking Club Established 1980 PO Box 2744 Universal City, TX 78148-1744 *Elected Officers* 

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#### **Renewal Time**

The following membership renewals are currently due: Danielle Colera, Marilyn Doyle, Michael Chitty, Charles & Sandy Hunnefeld, Diana Lacy, Linda & Jeff Large, Patricia Muse, Mike & Carol Abbott, Barbara Durkin, The Morgan Family, Sherry Barker-Sheets, Cindy Cardenas, Ginny Graygor, Clif & Cindy Harris, Janet & Dennis Howe, Cresencia Huff, Debra Keech, Valarie Miller, Annie Spencer, Jennifer Angell, John & Betty Dupre, Jenee Gonzales, Gloria Hernandez, Mary Tibbs and Jill **Troyer.** Please send in your renewal fees now. We value your membership. To renew your membership, fill out the renewal application attached or print one from the following website address: www.RandolphRoadrunners.info and send it with your fees to Nancy Paulson c/o the club address.

#### Welcome New Members:

Lesley Rubin San Antonio Cheryl Lardy San Antonio Pat & Bill Marcus San Antonio Andrienne Hacker San Antonio Jim Speights San Antonio Rachel Loredo San Antonio George Hext Kingsbury Dorothy Contreal Kingsbury The Ryals family San Antonio Elanore Decker San Antonio Douglas Eide San Antonio Susan & John Ives San Antonio Christine Anderson San Antonio San Antonio **Beverly Ahrens** John & MaryAnn Dorlon San Antonio

## From the Desk of the Pres.--

#### The RR club still needs a

*Secretary!* Contact Ellen if you have any questions or want more info about this position.

The next RR club meeting will be held at **AVA headquarters building**, 1001 Pat Booker Road, Suite 101, Universal City – February 21, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

Mark your RR event calendars for: 11 February - Del Webb 17 March – Boerne for Family Fun Day 18 May - King William

# Did You Know?

The Randolph Roadrunners Volkssport Club was chartered by the American Volkssport Association on Thursday, 27 March 1980 as the 44th club in the United States and the 14th in Texas?



**Tales from the Trails** *By: Bonnie Johnson, AVA Secretary* One of my most memorable walks was in Custer State Park in Custer, South Dakota. A friend, Darlene, and I had taken a few days to walk the state of South Dakota. We came to Custer State Park; a beautiful hilly, forested park near Rapid City.

Checking in at the ranger station we were informed the buffalo were on the east side of the park so there should be no problems. We started out and walked 5 or 6km and had noticed a herd way off in the distance. No problem. We just kept walking and coming up to the top of the hill came upon a BIG problem; a small herd of buffalo.

What to do??! A few spindly trees were at the bottom of the hill. We could run down hill, keep going ahead and hope they didn't attack, or we could jump up and down and hope to scare them. I prayed all the way down the hill as we walked sideways. The ground could be felt shaking as they apparently got spooked and took off running - thankfully in the opposite direction.

One thing I learned was, as buffalo graze they are constantly moving and are very dangerous. We stayed off the main trail and at the bottom of the hill followed the tree line until we neared the finish. This was a great walk, but since then if buffalo are anywhere near, I'm out of there!

P.S. I have missed two out of four walks because of the buffalo!

## Kudos to the following

**walkers:** (taken from the February/March TAW) The RR's definitely have some dedicated overachievers!

Events: 10 events

| 10 events                  | Maggie Carswell      |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| 275 events                 | Marta Knape          |  |  |  |
| 275 events                 | Reuben Knape         |  |  |  |
| 400 events                 | Priscilla Johnson    |  |  |  |
| 1300 events                | Joanne Forinash      |  |  |  |
| 1400 events                | Donald VanCleave     |  |  |  |
| 1500 events                | Martin Callahan      |  |  |  |
| 2800 events                | Darlene Oner (no     |  |  |  |
| typing mistake on events!) |                      |  |  |  |
| 3600 events                | Bill Radigan (that's |  |  |  |
| correct!)                  |                      |  |  |  |
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#### Distance:

500km - Carole & Victor Hernandez 1500km - Elizabeth & Leon LeVan 2500km - Marta & Reuben Knape 13,000km - Joanne Forinash 16,000km - Ellen Ott 17,000km - Bilita VanCleave 22,000km - Bernard Weiner 35,000km - Darlene Oner

# Trinity University Walks

Many thanks to all our volunteers who gave of their time and energy and made the Trinity walks possible again this year: Larry Cook, Nancy & Tony Paulson, Ellen Ott, Mike Hermes, Rick White, Joanne & Carlen Forinash, Heinze & Priscilla Johnson, Tom & Linda Elms, Totsy Miller, Pat Gunter, Carol Shaner, Bill Radigen, Darlene Oner, Herb Laing, Penny Powers and Patricia Lagleder.

And our congratulations to Pat & Bill Marcos and Linda Elms who won SAS shoes at the Trinity walk event.



Joanne Forinash & Herb Laing



## Volkssport Museum – AVA Headquarters

If you didn't make it to the RR meeting January 17<sup>th</sup> you missed a chance to get a personal tour of the newly completed Volkssport Museum.

It takes patience, organization, and a great love of Volkssporting to sort, catalogue and put together displays from the overwhelming number of boxes of medals and patches for the Volkssport Museum. This museum, housed at Headquarters, had been a dream project since 2007; however, until now the right people to do this job had not been found.

Phyllis Eagan and Joanne Forinash are the right people. They dedicated their time to making the Museum a reality. As the museum curators, their goal was to have everything ready by the next Board meeting in January and with a little muscle and know-how from Carlen Forinash, Bill Radigan and Tony Paulson with the displays, they made that dream a reality. Some of the exhibits to be found in the museum include:

Military - Historical, Active Duty, Air History, Space History and Memorials. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Parks Globals.

Odd Sports - Swim, Bike, Ski and Skate.

Volkssport Historical

National Volkssport Month awards Physical Fitness Month awards State Associations Individual Club patches Year Round patches Special Events in Texas Conventions--Event awards and Convention patches. And More...... Stop by and see the newly finished museum. It's the history of our AVA for all to enjoy.



#### Fun, Fitness, Friendship

# 2012 Atlantic Region Conference March 16-18

The Germanna Volkssport Association in Fredericksburg, VA is hosting the Sixth Biennial Atlantic Region Conference and they would like to share the Conference Brochure with everyone. Visit <u>http://www.ava.org/AVA\_Leadership/A</u> <u>T\_RG\_CONF\_11-</u> <u>11231\_GVA%20Brochure.pdf</u>.

#### 2012 California Volkssport Association (CVA) Convention May 4, 5 and 6

Where: Asilomar on the Monterey Peninsular, Pacific Grove, CA. The *South Bay Striders* would like to share their pre-registration information with you <u>http://www.sbstriders.org</u>. Full payment for accommodations is due by 15 January. Details may be found at this address:

http://www.sbstriders.org/cva2012information1.php



Linda Elms, Barney Smith, Martin Callahan & Indie at Toilet Seat Museum



Registration/Start Point at Trinity University walks



Randy Baker, Margie Kent, Reuben & Marta Knape at Trinity University walk



Brian Fisher, Clay Baulch, Sheri Logan and Indie at Trinity walk



Darlene Oner, Clara Plizga, Pat Gunter & Indie at Trinity walk in front of the Tiger sculpture



Barney Smith inside his museum with his eight RR walk commemorative toilet seats on the left at the Toilet Seat Museum

### Coming Texas Events:

2/5/2012 - 2/5/2012 - Walk Event Number: 92500 10km/5km Start: Comfort ISD Admin. Office Event City: Comfort, TX Host Club: Hill Country Volkssportverein More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 102 Edgewood Dr. Comfort, TX 78013 Contact: John Bohnert, (830) 995 -2421 E-Mail:tina.bohnert@comfort.txed.net **Club & Event Website:** web.me.com/txtrailhead/GG/Comfort.ht ml

2/11/2012 - 2/11/2012 - Walk Event Number: 92428 10km/5km Start: Del Webb's Hill Country Resort Center Event City: San Antonio - Del Webb Hill Country Retreat Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners **Event Website:** randolphroadrunners.info More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 11906 Pepperidge Cove San Antonio, Tx 78213 Contact: Ellen Ott, (210) 723 - 8574 E-Mail:ellenott@sbcglobal.com **Club Website:** www.randolphroadrunners.info

2/18/2012 - 2/18/2012 - Walk Event Number: 92458 10km/5km Start: Lions Park Event City: Jefferson - Jefferson Mardi Gras Celebration Host Club: East Texas Trekkers Event Website: www.WalkTx.org/EastTexasTrekkers More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 2334 Saharah, Garland, Tx 75044 Contact: Helen Hull, (972) 530 - 1026 E-Mail:helenthehun@yahoo.com Club Website: www.Walktx.org/EastTexasTrekkers/

2/18/2012 - 2/18/2012 - Walk Event Number: 92547 10 km/5 km Start: McKinney Roughs Nature Park, 1884 TX 71 W; Cedar Creek, TX 78612. Start point at Education Bldg. Follow signs from parking lot. Event City: Cedar Creek - McKinney Roughs Nature Park Volksmarch Host Club: Colorado River Walkers More Details: <u>Click here for directions</u>, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to: 1215 Inks Ave. Austin, TX 78702 Contact: Joann Fries, (512) 480 - 0291 E-Mail:joannwoolf@aol.com Club Website: www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/

2/25/2012 - 2/25/2012 - Walk Event Number: 92494 10 km/15 km/5 km Start: Lady Bird Johnson Trailhead, Salado Creek Greenway Event City: San Antonio - Salado Creek Greenway Host Club: Texas Wanderers **Event Website:** www.walktx.org/TexasWanderers More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 102 Wildridge Trail Universal City, TX 78148 Contact: Gerald Kamicka, (210) 658 -2160 E-Mail:GeraldK726@aol.com **Club Website:** www.walktx.org/TexasWanderers

2/25/2012 - 2/25/2012 - Walk **Event Number:** 92599 10 km/5 km Start: Fort Anahuac Park Pavilion Event City: Anahuac - Fort Anahuac Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers **Event Website:** houstonhappyhikers.com. More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: P. O. Box 101, Orchard, Texas 77464 Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478 -6203 EMail:hhhpresident@houstonhappyhik ers.org **Club Website:** www.houstonhappyhikers.com

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| RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION<br>PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744 |              |          |  |  |
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| Please check applicable box (es):<br>□ Renewal                                | □ New Member | □ Family | y member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE   |  |
| Name  |              |          | <b>NEW MEMBER FEE:</b> \$4.00 for 1 year   |  |
|   |              |          | \$10.00 for three years  |  |
| Address   |              |          | This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per                             |  |
|   |              | Apt No.  | individual.  |  |
| City  | State        | Zip code | RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year<br>\$10.00 for three years  |  |
| City  | State        | Zip code | \$10.00 for three years<br>This renewal fee includes each family member who paid \$2.00 with the original application. |  |
| Telephone number  |              |          | If the \$2.00 fee was not paid with the original application, add family members now by                                |  |
|   |              |          | including \$2.00 for each person.  |  |
| E-mail address  |              |          |  |  |
|   |              |          | Lifetime membership for (1) one person is available for a \$30 fee.  |  |
| Family members  |              |          |  |  |
|   |              |          | AVA Volkssport Associate 🛛 Yes 🖓 No  |  |
| Amount submitted \$   |              |          |  |  |
|   |              |          | Eager to serve as club officer or committee chair  |  |
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